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Dear Examiner Cole:

Thank you for granting a telephone interview, scheduled for May 17, 2006 at 1 pm, to discuss issues raised in the advisory action dated May 5, 2006. This letter outlines what we would like to discuss with you during the telephone interview.

In the advisory action, you stated that the phrase "crossing with a plane of the fiber cloth" recited in claim 1 was not previously searched or considered. This phrase actually has the same meaning as "crossing with the fiber cloth" recited in the originally filed claim 1. The fiber cloth, unless specified otherwise, is of course planar. In any event, one skilled in the art would clearly recognize that it is planar in view of the specification. More specifically, claim 1 recites that the fiber cloth is oriented along the surface of a molded body, which, as shown in Figures 1A and 1B, is planar. As such, the fiber cloth itself is also planar. It follows that crossing with the fiber cloth amounts to crossing with the plane of the fiber cloth. As "crossing with the fiber cloth" has been searched and considered, so has "crossing with a plane with the fiber cloth." We would like to point out that we amended the original phrase for the sole purpose of making the claim language more clear.

In addition, we would like to also discuss patentability of the pending claims over the prior art references cited in the final office action.

We thank you for your attention to this matter and look forward to talking with you soon.

Very truly yours,

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